

[Translation]

**STD/PCO Set up in the Country**

6377. SHRI NIHAL CHAND CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of STD/PCOs set up in the Country during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the criteria adopted while according approval to them;

(c) the number of STD/PCOs lying out order in Rajasthan; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to rectify the faults?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) The information is given in the attached statement.

(b) STD PCOs are allotted by the STD PCO allotment committee constituted one for each SSA consisting of 2 official members and non-official members one each nominated by sitting Members of Parliament representing the SSA. Educational qualification is 8th pass for rural areas and Matric/High School pass for urban areas. Preference is given to the following categories of persons:

1. Handicapped including blind persons.
2. SC/ST Applicants.
3. Ex-Servicemen and War Widows.
4. Retired DOT employees or their dependents.
5. Dependents of Freedom Fighters.
6. Charitable Institutions/Hospitals.

(c) Sir, no complaints pertaining to service matters of STD PCOs are pending.

(d) Complaints of faulty STD PCOs are attended immediately.

**Statement**

State of Circle/District	No. of STD PCOs Provided during Last Three Years (1994-95, 95-96 and 96-97)
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	10
Assam	5300
Bihar	1337
Gujarat	3161
Haryana	8512
Karnataka	1952

1	2
H.P.	472
J&K	514
Karnataka	6037
Kerala	5815
M.P.	6800
Maharashtra	8594
N.E.	509
Orissa	2252
Punjab	8009
Rajasthan	5269
T.N.	4097
U.P. (East)	11292
U.P. (West)	
W.B.	2309
Mumbai	4427
Calcutta	4233
Delhi	4328
Chennai	3654
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[English]

**NOC's for Air Taxi Services**

6378. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK:

SHRI SATYAJITSINH DULIPSINH GAEKWAD:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of NOC's issued by the Government during the last three years for operating private scheduled/non-scheduled air taxi service;

(b) the names and details of the companies/individuals issued that NOC's;

(c) the number of those companies who actually started the service;

(d) the number of these who have applied for extension of NOC's and the details thereof;

(e) the number and details of these whose NOC's have lapsed; and

(f) the criteria adopted and the details of the guidelines issued by the Government in this regard?